Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 17 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 18 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 16 Mar 2021 at 14:11 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for mostly settled conditions over the next few days, but low for daily detail of low cloud.

Headline for Wednesday 17 Mar 2021: Dry, low cloud expected across the Cairngorms. Windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 17 Mar 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%

Forecast for Wednesday 17 Mar 2021

Weather: Largely dry throughout the day with some clear or sunny periods. Low cloud is likely to be persistent and possibly extensive across the Cairngorm ranges and the Monadhliath. Elsewhere some low cloud is expected but will be patchy in nature.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50%

Visibility: Poor in low cloud with bases between 500 and 700 metres across the Cairngorms and Monadhliath, otherwise generally good.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	30/37 NW	32/40 NW	34/43 NW	33/43 NW	23/31 NW	21/28 NW	18/24 NW	20/27 NW	21/28 NW
900	19/25 W	23/29 W	23/31 W	21/29 NW	15/21 NW	13/18 NW	11/16 W	13/18 W	13/19 W
600	12/17 W	15/21 W	16/23 W	12/19 W	9/15 NW	8/14 NW	8/13 W	9/15 W	9/15 W
300	5/13 SW	7/15 W	7/15 W	5/15 W	6/13 NW	6/13 NW	3/8 SW	4/11 W	5/11 SW
Glen	3/15 W	3/19 SW	3/17 W	5/19 NW	6/18 NW	5/16 NW	3/9 W	3/11 W	3/12 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-11	-3/-11	-3/-12	-2/-11	-1/-8	-0/-7	0/-6	0/-6	0/-6
900	1/-5	1/-5	0/-7	1/-6	2/-3	3/-1	3/-1	3/-1	3/-1
600	3/-2	3/-2	3/-2	3/-2	4/1	5/3	6/3	6/2	5/2
300	3/0	3/-0	3/0	5/3	7/5	8/7	7/6	6/5	5/4
Glen	2/2	3/2	3/2	6/4	8/6	10/8	8/7	6/5	6/5
Freezing Level*	800m	800m	800m	1000m	1200m	1400m	1900m	2000m	1900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Strong winds expected at height in the morning

Forecast for Thursday 18 Mar 2021
Weather: Mainly dry with extensive low cloud, but some breaks may develop across the west of the area in the afternoon. Chance of a little drizzly rain across the Cairngorms.

Maximum wind: Northwesterly winds gusts to 30 to 40 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30%

Visibility: Poor in extensive cloud between 400 and 600 metres, this possibly breaking in the west by afternoon. Summits above 900 metres may stand clear of the cloud above the inversion

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 rising to 10 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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